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Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)
	10/605,247	LESUTIS, JOHN
	Examiner Stephen E. Jones	Art Unit 2817

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. This communication is responsive to the response dated 4/12/05.
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-13 and 16-20.
3. The drawings filed on 17 September 2003 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) All
 - b) Some* c) None of the:
 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
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THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.

5. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
6. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) hereto or 2) to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date 9/17/03
4. Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____.
7. Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. Other _____.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. Applicant's election without traverse of Group I (Claims 1-13, 16-20) in the reply filed on 4/12/05 is acknowledged.
2. This application is in condition for allowance except for the presence of claims 14-15 to an invention non-elected without traverse. Accordingly, claims 14-15 have been cancelled.
3. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Druschel et al. teaches a detachable coupling device with alignment means.

Newman teaches a waveguide connector.

Claims 1-13 and 16-20 are allowed.

4. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Regarding Claims 1-13, the prior art of record does not teach the claimed invention including a transition assembly having a clamping groove formed in the outer surface and a plurality of cutouts in the outer surface extending axially from a spigot and clamp screws coupled to the base of the antenna located to allow passage along or through the cutouts to the clamping groove as the transition assembly is seated upon the spigot and rotated with the heads of the screws upon entry into the groove retain the transition upon the spigot.

Regarding Claims 16-20, the prior art of record does not teach the claimed invention including a transition assembly having a clamping groove formed in the outer

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surface and at least one cutout in the outer surface extending axially from a spigot and at least one clamp screw coupled to the base of the antenna located to allow passage along the at least one cutout to the clamping groove as the transition assembly is seated upon the spigot and rotated, and a means for engaging upon entry into the groove retaining the transition upon the spigot:

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Stephen E. Jones whose telephone number is 571-272-1762. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday from 8 AM to 4 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Robert J. Pascal can be reached on 571-272-1769. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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